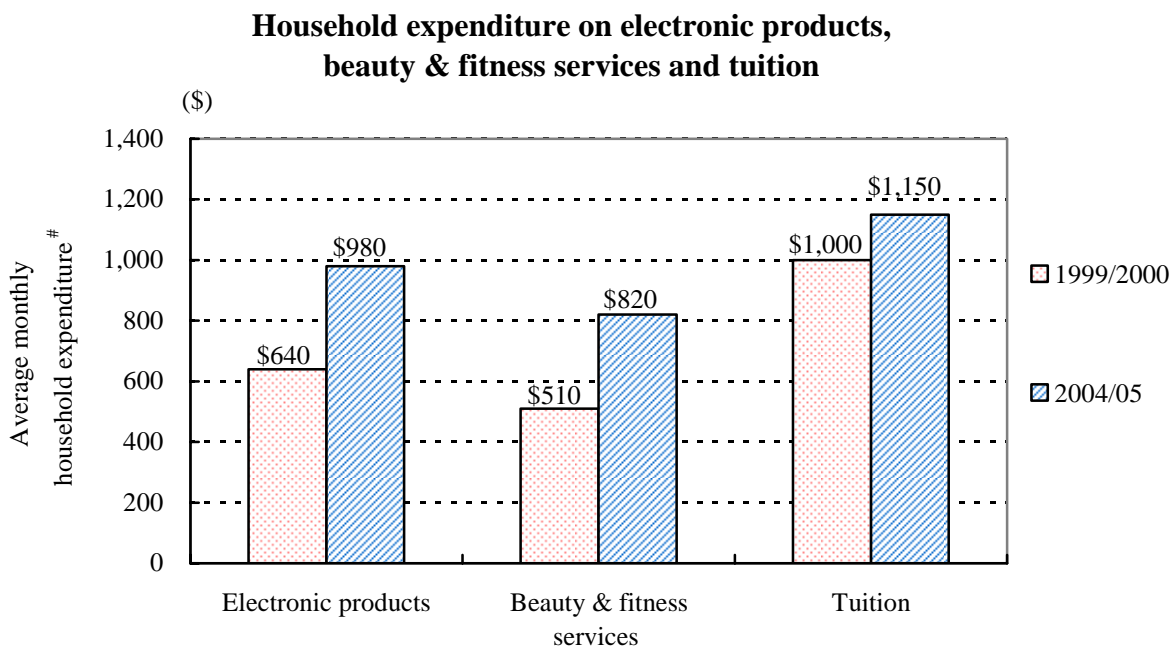


Household Expenditure on Electronic Products, Beauty & Fitness Services and Tuition Significantly Increased

- The Census and Statistics Department conducts the Household Expenditure Survey (HES) once every five years to collect up-to-date information on the expenditure patterns of households in Hong Kong. The last HES was conducted during October 2004 to September 2005.
- As some electronic products (including digital camera, digital MP3 player/recorder and electrical massage equipment), beauty & fitness services and tuition are getting more popular, household expenditure on these items increased in recent years.
- In 2004/05, among households with such expenses, households on average spent \$980 on digital camera, digital MP3 player/recorder and electrical massage equipment and \$820 on beauty & fitness services per month, representing more than 50% increase as compared with five years before.
- Besides, households with expenses on tuition on average spent \$1,150 on tuition per month, increased by 15% over the five-year period.



Compiled based on households with such expenses only.

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